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# Memorandum

TO : ~~SAC~~, DALLAS

DATE: 3-27-64

FROM : SA Kenneth C. Howe

SUBJECT: LEE HARVEY OSWALD, aka
IS-R-Cuba

ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT
JOHN F. KENNEDY

At 9:10 PM on 3-27-64 ED McDONOUGH, Mr. ROSEN'S Office, called.

The Bureau wants results of following investigation for delivery to the President's Commission no later than 3-31-64:

Bulab has processed a number of cartons, or parts of cartons, which were obtained from the area adjacent tothe sixth floor window of the TSDB from which the fatal shots emanated. McDONOUGH did not know whether these were submitted by us, or obtained and given the Lab in some other manner.

In any event the Lab has processed them and come up with 19 identifiable latent fingerprint and 6 latent ~~plam~~ palm print' impressions, not identified with OSWALD.

(1) Did any agency, local or federal, take elimination prints from all employees of the TSBD, especially those who would be working around cartons anywhere? If so, obtain these cards, or ascertain where they are.

(2) If above is negative we are to obtain the names of all employees of the TSBD as of 11-22-63, along with sufficient identifying information concerning each to permit a logical search of their names through the Identification Division. McDONOUGH emphasized we are not to make any effort to obtain fingerprints of all these employees - the idea being to take the names and identifying data and see if any of them have prints already in Ident. Those prints so found will be compared with the above mentioned latents.

McDONOUGH said Dallas had taken signed statements from some 72 employees of the TSBD. These should be checked, and if there is sufficient information in them to permit a good search through Ident, an additional contact with these parties is not necessary. The Bureau can just be referred to the information in the signed statement.

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Where no signed statement has been taken, or it is found there is not enough information in it, or submitted in conjunction with it, then the person must be recontacted to obtain this information.

I attempted to learn from McDONOUGH whether the Bureau wanted the above information on all employees of the TSBD as of 11-22-64, including clerical, etc., or only on those which it can be determined would logically handle cartons somewhere in the building. He was a little vague on this, but thought we would have to get the information only on those who would logically handle cartons, since the prints, as available, are apparently to be used for elimination purposes; i.e., if all the latents found can be identified as those of employees, that will eliminate the possibility they were made by some outside accomplice. This point is something which should be clarified with the Bureau before we submit our final results.